

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

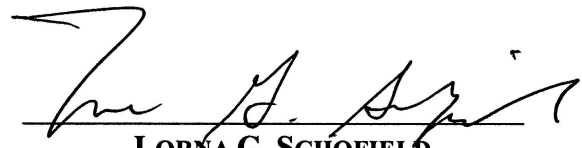
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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,	:	
Plaintiff,	:	
	:	18 Crim. 530 (LGS)
-against-	:	
	:	<u>ORDER</u>
NAZEER VICKERS,	:	
Defendant,	:	
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LORNA G. SCHOFIELD, District Judge:

WHEREAS, a status conference was held on April 5, 2022. For the reasons discussed at the conference, it is hereby

**ORDERED** that the sentencing hearing scheduled for April 5, 2022, is **adjourned sine die**. It is further

**ORDERED** that the parties shall submit briefing regarding (1) the scope and meaning of “reasonable opportunity to observe,” in connection with the knowledge element under 18 U.S.C. § 1594(c), particularly in the context of outright denials and facts suggesting a reasonable basis for denial on the record, and (2) the appropriate way to proceed when, prior to sentencing, a defendant makes statements that are inconsistent with a guilty plea.

  
LORNA G. SCHOFIELD  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

The briefing shall be submitted according to the following schedule:

- By **April 19, 2022**, the Government shall file its memorandum of law, not to exceed twenty (20) pages.
- By **April 27, 2022**, Defendant shall submit its memorandum, not to exceed twenty (20) pages.

No reply shall be filed without leave of court.

Dated: April 5, 2022  
New York, New York